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Fourth conviction reached in music studio murder of "D.J. Keys"

Six charged in connection to crimes; Two additional cases pending

(Indianapolis, Ind.) Marion County Prosecutor Terry Curry announced that Carlton Hart was found guilty by a jury on Thursday for his role in the Nov. 15, 2012, murder of Thomas Keys and attempt murder of Marvin Finney II. Hart was convicted of Murder, Criminal Confinement (B Felony), and Conspiracy to Commit Criminal Confinement (B Felony). He is scheduled to be sentenced on April 4 at 12:30 p.m. in Court 4.

Keys, known as "DJ Keys," was discovered by police deceased at a music studio near E. 46th Street and N. Keystone Ave. Finney survived with gunshot wounds to both wrists.

Hart is the fourth of six suspects to be convicted in connection with the crimes.

- Nathaniel Armstrong was convicted by a jury in October 2013 of Murder, Kidnapping (A Felony), and Attempt Murder (IV). Prosecutors filed a Criminal Gang sentence enhancement which added 65 years to his sentence. He was sentenced to a total of 175 years.
- James McDuffy was convicted by a jury in October 2013 of Murder, Attempt Murder (A Felony), Kidnapping (A Felony), Robbery (A Felony), Criminal Confinement (B Felony), Conspiracy to Commit Kidnapping (A Felony), and Conspiracy to Commit Criminal Confinement (B Felony). Prosecutors requested a Habitual Offender sentence enhancement, and he was sentenced to a total of 185 years.
- Darin Jackson was convicted by a jury in February 2014 of Conspiracy to Commit Criminal Confinement (B Felony). He was sentenced to 18 years.

Two additional suspects have pending cases. Dominique Hamler and Dontee Robinson are scheduled for jury trial on May 12, 2014, in Court 4.